

IDAHO BOARD OF HEALTH AND WELFARE
MINUTES
August 20, 2015

The Board of Health and Welfare convened at:
Pete T. Cenarrusa Building
450 W. State Street
Boise, Idaho 83720

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Darrell Kerby, Chairman
Richard Armstrong, Secretary
Jim Giuffré
Wendy Jaquet
Richard Roberge, M.D.
Tom Stroschein
Janet Penfold
Stephen Weeg
Senator Lee Heider
Tammy Perkins

STAFF PRESENT

Denise Chuckovich, Deputy Director, Behavioral Health, Medicaid, and Managed Care Services
David N. Taylor, Deputy Director, Support Services
Gary Moore, Division Administrator, Family and Community Services
Paul Spannkebel, Division Administrator, Operational Services
Tamara Prisock, Division Administrator, Licensing and Certification
Niki Forbing-Orr, Public Information Officer
Diane Foote, Administrative Assistant to the Board

OTHERS PRESENT

Nicole McKay, Lead Deputy Attorney General
Sara Stover, Division of Financial Management
Jarod Tatro, Senior Budget & Policy Analyst

CALL TO ORDER

Following proper notice in accordance with Idaho Code, Section 67-2343, and pursuant to call by the Chairman, the meeting of the Idaho Board of Health and Welfare was called to order by Darrell Kerby, Chairman of the Board, at 8:40 a.m, Thursday, August 20, 2015, at the Pete T. Cenarrusa Bldg., 450 W. State Street, Boise, Idaho.

ROLL CALL

Director Armstrong, Secretary, called the roll. Roll call showed **ten (10)** members present. With **seven (7)** voting members present, Chairman Kerby declared a quorum. Absent and excused was Representative Wood.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Chairman Kerby opened the floor for public comment. There being none, the Board advanced to the next order of business.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM BOARD MEETING ON May 14, 2015

Motion: Stephen Weeg moved that the minutes of the May 14, 2015 Board meeting be adopted with edits requested.

Second: Janet Penfold

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: **Giuffré, Jaquet, Kerby, Roberge, Stroschein, Weeg, Penfold**

Nays: None

Motion Carried

DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL'S REVIEW OF PETITION PROCESS FOR THE BOARD

REVIEW AND DELIBERATION OF Appeal #14-975

Nicole McKay, Deputy Attorney General, requested to reverse the agenda and discuss Appeal #14-975 prior to reviewing petition process.

The parties have stipulated to a stay of appeal until the spring meeting. Absent a resolution, Palouse Area Care and Transport (PACT) will file a petition for an appeal hearing and oral argument before the Board in the spring and will lose no appeal rights because of the stay.

Nicole discussed roles and responsibilities of the Board of Health and Welfare when an appeal has been filed that falls under the Board's jurisdiction. The Board is to make a decision upon the information on record, including briefing, testimony, and four corners of evidence.

The Board granted the stay of the appeal with a motion by Wendy Jaquet, seconded by Tom Stroschein and all in favor for the motion to carry.

Board Member Jim Giuffre requested the Director and Department staff review the primary responsibilities of the Board and determine if additional clarity is needed in the decision-making process of the Board.

COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

Board members discussed several items such as negotiated rulemaking for ambulance and fire services in the community.

Commissioner Stroschein thanked the Department for their support of behavioral health and recovery centers. He stressed that crisis centers are needed to complete the process.

CONCURRENCE OF APPOINTMENT FOR GARY MOORE AS FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION ADMINISTRATOR

Director Armstrong introduced Gary Moore to the Board members and enumerated many of his accomplishments while working for the Department of Health and Welfare. Director Armstrong described the strengths and skills Mr. Moore exhibited while Hospital Administrative Director for State Hospital North (2008-2011) as the same skills needed in FACS. Gary was able to implement a work flow change with employees to increase efficiency in order to serve more people and improve moral. Child protection will be a major task of his to undertake in his new position as he and staff are determined to shorten the time children are waiting to be placed in permanence

Mr. Moore has been traveling the state to visit with department staff in the regions and to learn and understand the operational processes.

Motion: Stephen Weeg moved that the Idaho Board of Health and Welfare concur with the Director's appointment of Gary Moore as the Family and Community Services Division Administrator for the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare.

Second: Darrell Kerby

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: all

Nays: None

Motion Carried

HEALTH, MEDICAID, BEHAVIORAL HEALTH and STATE HEALTH INNOVATION PLAN (SHIP) UPDATES

Deputy Director Denise Chuckovich discussed the status of programs and how each division is part of healthcare transformation with a workgroup focused on population issues and how to impact health on population as oppose to the individual.

Regional collaboratives are hiring staff for the patient-centered home model and the Health Division is expanding telehealth and focusing on rural health care to identify health clinics to develop the home model along with Behavioral health utilizing telehealth for counseling.

The Expanded Access Program provides an FDA-approved drug, Epidiolex, to children with treatment-resistant epilepsy in Idaho. The program will serve up to 25 children between the ages of 0-18 and administered in a clinical setting with a local neurologist specializing in epilepsy. Enrollment is expected to begin this fall with an expected program cost of \$223,500.

The Division of Public Health continues to track individuals who have returned to Idaho or are passing through Idaho who have visited Ebola-affected countries in Africa. Monitoring includes any changes in CDC guidance and regular reporting to CDC. According to CDC guidance, several levels of hospital readiness exist for serious infectious disease situations:

- Frontline: Capability to isolate and stabilize
- Assessment: Idaho has a handful of hospitals volunteering to be prepared to isolate and do minimal treatment for up to 96 hours and then have the patient transported to a treatment hospital.
- Treatment: Idaho does not have a treatment hospital, but Sacred Heart in Spokane has agreed to be the treatment hospital for all of Region X (AK, WA, OR and ID).

Medicaid is taking the lead on payment reform and engaged to move away from paying for volume into paying for value.

The Health Home Pilot program implemented January 1, 2013 is seeing terrific results. Enrollment peaked at over 10,000 participants with Health Homes numbering 24 different health care organizations operating in over 50 service locations through the state.

The Idaho Falls Crisis Center, which opened December of 2014, has had approximately 950 admissions to date. A second center is projected to open in November or December of 2015 with DHW requesting a third crisis center in the next legislative cycle.

The Jeff D. lawsuit reached a settlement agreement approved by Federal Court in early July. Our department, in partnership with other child serving agencies in Idaho, will have until March of 2016 to implement a plan. DHW will then have four years to implement the new system.

The agreement focuses on four areas for change:

- Maximizing Medicaid resources
- Delivery of Services
- Greater emphasis on the most needy children and their families
- Quality assurance committed to improving the children's health system

SHIP contracts have been awarded to Mercer for technical assistance on project management and with IHDE to improve care coordination. Intent to award was given to Brilljent for technical assistance to transform primary care practices across the stat into Patient Care Medical Homes. Contracts have also been signed with the seven Health Districts to develop Regional Health Collaboratives to support the integration of each PCMH with the broader medical neighborhood.

STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE

Division Administrator Tamara Prisock presented an update on the Plan regarding communicating the goals and implementation. Handouts for the Board members included a timeline of work completed and work to do, along with high-level talking points. Also shared were articles from the Department's Info Net and Headline News which highlight specific initiatives for department staff. Future articles will be forwarded to the Board.

The Leadership team will be developing performance measures to monitor and working on a process for a performance review.

DIVISION OF SUPPORT SERVICES REPORT

Deputy Director David Taylor gave the Board members hand-outs and discussed each subject:

- FY2015 Recap:
 - Summary of fiscal year 2015 funds for the Department of Health and Welfare was discussed.
- 2017 Budget Request:
 - Supplemental request: Describe changes to the appropriation that adds to or adjusts spending authority in the current fiscal year (SFY 2016).
 - Maintenance Items: Request for resources needed to continue current levels of service (SFY 2017).
 - Line Items: Additional decision units requesting funding for new or expanded activities after maintenance of current operations (SFY 2017).
- Possible federal shut-down.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Armstrong presented on primary care for low-income and uninsured adults. Historically, assistance has been in the form of crisis care which is expensive and least effective. The option of care coordination allows direct influence of disease progression and cost escalation using private sector partners.

Board member Stephen Weeg reported an update on the health exchange. Idaho is 4th in the nation with 90,000 enrolled in the third year of the exchange all while utilizing their own technology – the first and only state to do so. Nearly 55,000 Idahoans screened last year are too poor for the tax credit which makes them perfect candidates for the Director's proposed program.

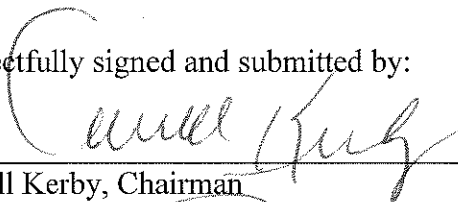
APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR NOMINATION COMMITTEE

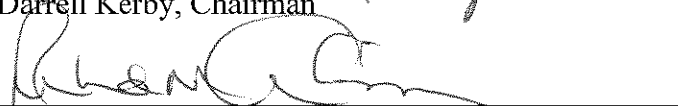
Darrell Kerby appointed Board members Stephen Weeg and Wendy Jaquet to serve on the Nomination committee.

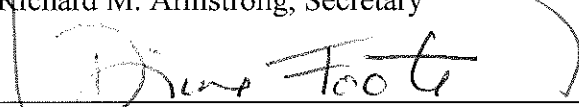
ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting of the Idaho Board of Health and Welfare is scheduled to be held November 19, 2015. There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Kerby adjourned the meeting at 12:45pm

Respectfully signed and submitted by:



Darrell Kerby, Chairman

Richard M. Armstrong, Secretary

Diane Foote, Administrative Assistant